

Lewinsville

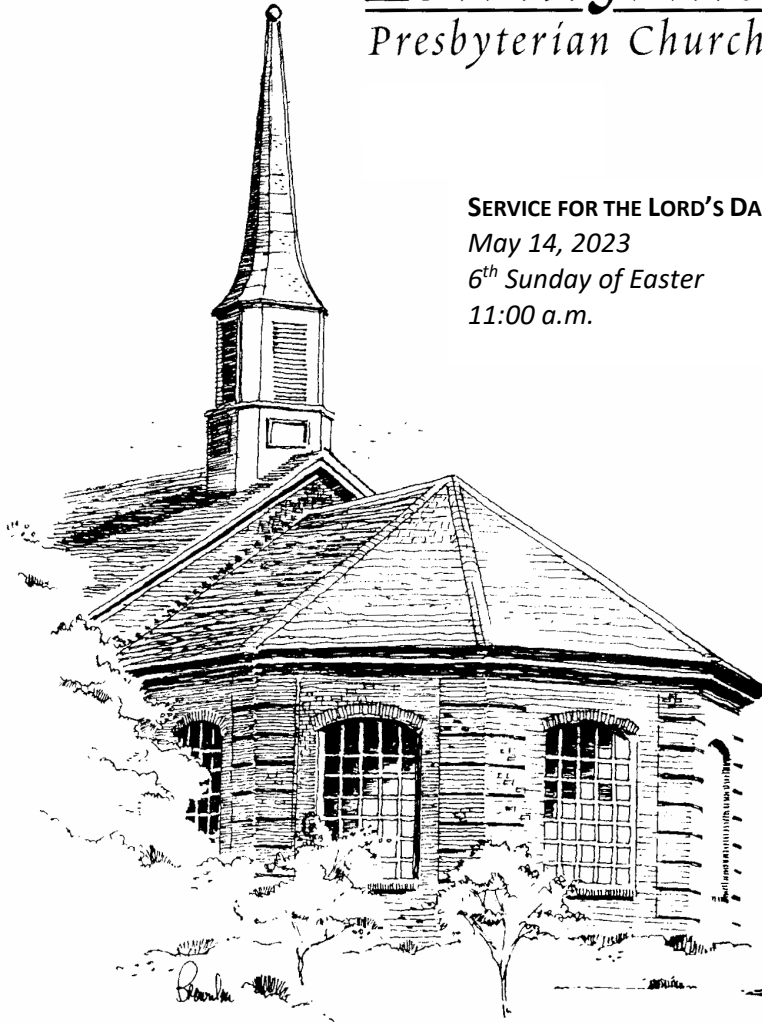
Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

May 14, 2023

6th Sunday of Easter

11:00 a.m.



“JOURNEY INTO THE HEART OF GOD”

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with singing.

- Psalm 100:1-2

Welcome to Lewinsville! In the name of Jesus Christ, we are *so glad* to have you join us for worship today.

Wherever you have come from, and wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome here at Lewinsville. At Lewinsville, we believe that *God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help* and we hope that you experience that love and support from God today. If there is something that has made church hard for you, worrying about noise of kids, mobility or hearing issues, feeling like part of your identity might not be welcome, we hope you will find Christian community here at Lewinsville. Individuals and families - of all different configurations – are loved and affirmed in our congregation.

God's loving grace is poured forth upon all people, from the youngest among us to the oldest. It is for that reason that we are glad to welcome *children of all ages* to worship.

- There are pillows available in the narthex to make the pews more comfortable,
- There are worship bags with activities for young children to use during the worship service.
- Nursery care is available downstairs for our very youngest children.
- Hearing Assistance devices are available from the ushers or the audio/video console at the rear of the sanctuary
- Enlarged print Glory to God hymnals are available from the ushers.

We would love to connect you with the ministries of our congregation in ways that would be meaningful to you – faith formation and Christian education classes and groups for children, youth, and adults; small groups and other fellowship activities to meet with others on the spiritual journey; mission projects and service efforts in our community; providing and receiving care in times of loss or need.

We would love to stay in touch with you - please use the QR code below to share your contact information with us. Welcome!



Welcome Information



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THE LEWINSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 14, 2023

* *If you are able, please stand*

†† *Latecomers seated*

*The Lord is near to the brokenhearted,
and saves the crushed in spirit.
Psalm 34:18*

GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE

The Gift of Love

Arr. Hal Hopson

*Though I may speak with bravest fire,
And have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love, my words are vain,
As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.
Though I may give all I possess,
And striving so my love profess,
But not be given by love within,
The profit soon turns strangely thin.
Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
Our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
By this we worship, and are freed.*

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

There are many gifts, talents, and abilities given by God

But there is only one Spirit.

There are a variety of things we can do to serve the Lord.

But it is the same Lord we all serve.

There are many activities we can do to serve God:

teach, sing, clean, preach, play, work...

But all these are activated by God.

There are many manifestations of God's Spirit in the world.

It is impossible to list them all.

None of them are better than the others; all are necessary for the healthy functioning of the body.

God gives to each person as God chooses.

Thanks be to God!

* **HYMN**

O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing

GG 255

O FILII ET FILIAE

CHORAL INTROIT

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

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CALL TO CONFESSION

silence for personal confession

Gracious God, Creator and Giver of all that is good, forgive us when we are too preoccupied to notice your presence in our lives: when we walk through this world and fail to see the wonders of your generosity, blessing our lives and all of creation; when we go through our lives and fail to notice the signs of your love abiding with us; when we move through holy moments and fail to enjoy your presence, instead feeling distracted and burdened by the demands of the world.

Loving God, open our eyes to your presence, so that we may lean on you daily — as you uphold all of creation in tenderness and in power. Through Christ our Lord, we pray, Amen.

RESPONSE

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us

Renew! 85

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, hear and believe the good news that comes from God.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

* **RESPONSE** *Glory Be to the Father* GG 581
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, GLORIA PATRI
and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

* **THE PEACE**
The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.
Greet those around you, saying “Peace be with you” or “The Peace of Christ”
If you prefer not to shake hands in greeting while passing the Peace of Christ,
you may choose to make eye contact and greet others in another personal way.

THE WORD

CHILDREN’S MEDITATION

*Following the Children’s Meditation, children age 4 through grade 2 are invited to meet
Allison Lineberger in the Narthex for Sermon Stories. Children will return to the
Sanctuary for worship with their parents following the sermon.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE *Acts 17:22-31* NT p. 137
John 14:15-21 NT p. 109
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON *Surrounded by God* The Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey

* **HYMN** *Jesus, Light of Joy* GG 673
LAUDA ANIMA

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES BY THE CLERK OF SESSION

Deacons – John Gale, Judy Herseth, Davi McDonald, Tom Staeger
Elders – Spencer Deese, Betty Douglass, Beverly Johnson, Madison Kloster

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of
of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

* QUESTIONS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION

* PRAYER OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

THANKSGIVING

INVITATION TO OFFERING



(Scan this QR code to donate, or go to www.lewinsville.org and click the "Make a Gift" Button to give online.)

OFFERTORY

This Is the Day

Arr. John Rutter

This is the day which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice and be glad in it.

O praise the Lord of heav'n: praise him in the height.

Praise him, all ye angels of his: praise him, all his host.

Praise him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars and light.

Let them praise the Name of the Lord.

For he shall give his angels charge over thee: to keep thee in all thy ways.

The Lord himself is thy keeper: the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand;

so that the sun shall not burn thee by day: neither the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in: from this time forth for evermore.

He shall defend thee under his wings.

Be strong, and he shall comfort thine heart, and put thou thy trust in the Lord.

* **RESPONSE** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

GG 609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

SENDING

FOLLOWING CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

* **HYMN** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* GG 366
HYFRYDOL

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

* **DISMISSAL**
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE *Prelude on 'Hyfrydol'* Ralph Vaughan Williams

*An Elder or Deacon will be standing beside the pastors on the way out of the sanctuary,
to take notes about any pastoral concerns.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 14, 2023

ACTIVE IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

MUSIC MINISTRY

Chancel Choir, Lewinsville Choristers, Junior Choristers, Joyful Noise

LAY READER

Linda Bender

DUTY ELDER

Grant Mann

DUTY DEACON

Rachel Russell

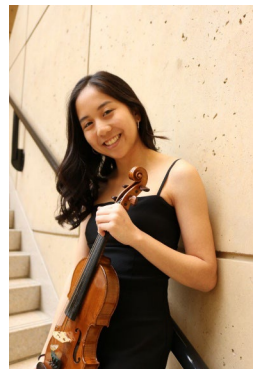
AUDIO/VISUAL MINISTRY

John Baxley, Carlos Claros and Haziell Andrade

PENTECOST OFFERING - This special offering of the Presbyterian Church (USA) helps the church encourage, develop, and support its young people, and also address the needs of at-risk children. 40% of the Pentecost Offering will be retained by our congregations and used to support local mission partners. The remaining 60% is used to support children-at-risk, youth, and young adults through ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency. You can give at the following link, or use the envelopes in the pew racks: <https://secure.myvanco.com/YN8C/campaign/C-ZAFT>

THE INAUGURAL J FRANKLIN CLARK YOUNG ARTIST CONCERT MAY 24, 6:15PM - J Franklin Clark retired from Lewinsville Presbyterian Church in 2004 after serving 37 years as Minister of Music. During his tenure at Lewinsville it was said that in his work he emphasized the “minister” more than the “music.” To honor his lasting legacy of mentorship and nurturing of many young musicians, Lewinsville will host an annual Young Artists Concert as part of the Holy Happy Hour! Concert Series in his honor.

On Wednesday, May 24 at 6:15 p.m. Irene Castillo, a graduating senior from the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music, will perform violin works of Mendelssohn and Tchaikovsky. Castillo is a senior at Indiana University pursuing a Bachelor of Music in Violin Performance with Professor Mark Kaplan at the Jacobs School of Music. A recipient of the Premier Young Artist scholarship, she began violin lessons at age four with her mother, Agnes Miranda. Irene previously studied with Jasmine Lin of the Formosa Quartet. She has performed with the National Youth Orchestra of the USA at Carnegie Hall, the



Tanglewood Music Festival and throughout Germany and Amsterdam. She has performed as a Soloist at Walt Disney Hall with the Filipino American Symphony Orchestra and at Orchestra Hall at Symphony Center with the Merit School of Music. In addition to her musical studies at IU, Irene is pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Biology, and she is a research assistant at the Drosophila Genomics Resource Center at Indiana University. Irene performs on a one-hundred-year-old German violin from her late grandfather, UP Chemistry Professor Ben Miranda. The Holy Happy Hour Concert Series has partnered with the local wine shop, Vienna Vintner, which will curate wines thematically appropriate for each concert.

WELCOMING THE LGBTQ COMMUNITY - In the fall of 2021, the Session began a reflection process regarding our congregational welcome to the LGBTQ Community, so that LGBTQ persons in the community will know we are a safe congregation and as a joyful and gentle witness to our community. In addition, encouraged by the youth of our congregation, and mindful of Lewinsville's long history of being a welcoming congregation for LGBTQ persons, a recent congregational gathering discussed our church's welcome and a request from the youth of our congregation to create a welcome banner. The Session has approved the below design for a banner for display within our overall set of banners on the church's property. The below design includes the Progress Pride symbol, which seeks to convey **welcome to all persons**.

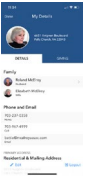


The **rainbow colors** in the middle of the banner express a welcome to gay and lesbian persons. The “wedge” design on the left of the banner includes a variety of colors: the **white triangle** conveys a welcome to those who identify as White. The **brown and black stripes** convey a welcome to persons of color. The **pink and blue stripes** convey a welcome to transgender persons.

As a congregation, we want to engage this important topic in ways that are grounded in faith and scripture, inclusive, thoughtful, patient, and clear. If you have any questions, suggestions, or concerns about this, please feel free to speak with

Pastor Scott, Pastor Layne, Pastor Jen, or any member of Session.

THE LEWINSVILLE RETIREMENT RESIDENCE NEEDS ART SUPPLIES DONATIONS – LRR is currently collecting: Acrylic Paint, Watercolor Paint, Paint Brushes, Canvases, and any other art supplies you may have. Please drop donations off at the LRR front desk.



Online Photo Directory: Want access? Send a request to Bettie McElroy (bettie@mcelroyassoc.com). To access the directory, click on **My Lewinsville** on the main menu upload the app to your cell and have it always at hand! And remember, if your photo isn't in the directory, we need it! Instructions for taking and sending your photos are [HERE](#)

SUMMER MISSION PROJECT REGISTRATION IS OPEN! THIS SUMMER, JUNE 24 - JULY 1 - Registration is open and we are excited to be returning to historical Charlottesville, VA where we served in June 2014 and January 2016. Various service opportunities are being planned for the week to assist those with housing and food insecurities. Participants must have completed the 8th grade. COVID-19 vaccinations will be required for all participants and all participants age 18 and over must complete a Criminal Background Check (if one hasn't been completed in the past 5 years for a previous trip). If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Layne Brubaker or Linda Bender. As always, confidential financial assistance will be available for anyone who needs it. Layne or Linda can provide specifics.

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CHILDREN'S MUSIC SPECIALIST

The Entire Congregation of Lewinsville Church
The Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey
The Rev. Layne B. Brubaker
The Rev. Jen Dunfee
Allison Lineberger
John Nothaft
Evan Ayars

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